



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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February 15, 2011

Scott B. Mackenzie, Treasurer  
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**Response Due Date:**  
**March 22, 2011**

Identification Number: C00401786

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/10-9/30/10)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 items:

1. Itemized independent expenditures must include a brief statement or description of why the expenditures were made. Please amend Schedule E of your report to clarify the following descriptions: **"Production and Media."** For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).
2. Your committee filed a **48 hour** notice on **9/3/10** informing the Commission of an independent expenditure made in support or opposition of a federal candidate with **"Red Cap Strategy"** as the payee. However, the date of public dissemination disclosed on this notice does not appear to correlate with the entry on Schedule E, supporting Line 24 for the reporting period. If your committee has filed **48 hour** notices supporting independent expenditures not reflected on your reports, you must file Schedule E during the appropriate reporting period to disclose these payments. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy and provide further information concerning these notices.

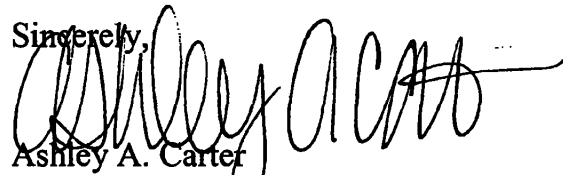
**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an

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enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1173.

Sincerely,



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